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MILWAUKEE COUNTY'S GREEN PRINT DELIVERS AGAIN ON ENERGY EFFICIENCY

County Board unanimously approves \$6 million in energy performance contracts

Milwaukee, WI – Milwaukee County Supervisors Marina Dimitrijevic, John F. Weishan, Jr., Gerry Broderick and Chris Larson are pleased to announce the second round of energy performance contracts for Milwaukee County. The County Board this morning voted 19-0 to approve \$6 million in Guaranteed Energy Savings Performance Contracts for energy efficient upgrades at numerous County-owned buildings.

“The \$6 million goes directly into improving our county’s infrastructure. Many of our older, poorly maintained buildings will be retrofitted with the most energy-efficient upgrades. This saves taxpayers money, reduces the County’s energy use, and also preserves our county’s assets for future generations to come.” Supervisor Dimitrijevic said. “All of these energy savings are guaranteed, which is a great deal for Milwaukee County taxpayers, and some of the projects include significant water conservation as well.” Milwaukee County’s Green Print requires that 20% of all County buildings must undergo technical energy audits to analyze potential energy savings.

Supervisor Weishan said, “Despite the County Executive’s unwillingness to take a leadership role on implementing the Green Print, we have still been able to move forward with some of the initiatives of this important legislation.” Based on recent energy audits, the infrastructure upgrades will be performed at a number of Milwaukee County locations, including indoor pools, the Milwaukee Public Museum the Criminal Justice Facility, the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts, senior centers, Wilson Park Indoor Ice Arena, community centers and the Milwaukee County Sports Complex.

“These contracts will help stimulate the green economy, while making Milwaukee County a better environmental citizen,” Supervisor Larson said.

The cutting edge upgrades include indoor pool covers, new lighting and solar-thermal hot water heating systems. The resolution calls for hiring Honeywell, AMERESCO and Johnson Controls, Inc., to provide Phase 2 Guaranteed Energy Savings Performance Contracting at selected County facilities.

“This is one way to improve our Milwaukee County Parks’ infrastructure and try to reserve the damage done by years of deferred maintenance,” added Supervisor Broderick, Chairman of the Parks Energy & Environment Committee.

Last year, energy efficient upgrades at the Courthouse complex included retrofitted light fixtures, the installation of light and motion sensors, and more efficient heating and cooling. Those upgrades earned a Focus on Energy grant to Milwaukee County, recognizing the reduced energy consumption achieved through a partnership with Honeywell.

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